

REMARKS

This responds to the Final Office Action dated April 12, 2005 in the present application. Individual issues raised in the Office Action will be addressed next. Applicant respectfully requests the entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claim Amendments

Claims 5, 8-9 and 12-13 have been cancelled. Claims 1-2, 6-7 and 10 have been amended. Upon entry of the amendments, claims 1-4, 6-7 and 10 will be pending in the application. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the language of claims 5, 8, 12 and 13. Thus, no new matter has been added by the current amendments. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests the entry of the amendments into the record of the application.

Claim Objection

In paragraph 8 of the Office Action, claim 2 has been objected to for failure to end in a period. Applicant has amended claim 2 to end in a period. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112

In paragraph 12 of the Office Action, claims 1-10 and 12-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being unclear as to whether the memory card module is part of the internal bus or connected to the internal bus in claim 1. Applicant respectfully submits that the memory card module is not part of the internal bus. That is, the memory card module is connected to the internal bus and stores data transmitted through the internal bus. To that end, claim 1 has been amended to clarify the relationship between the memory card module and the internal bus.

In paragraph 13 of the Office Action, claim 10 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being unclear as to its dependence from claim 4 or claim 8.

Applicant has amended claim 10 to depend from amended claim 1. Withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

In paragraphs 14-16 of the Office Action, claims 1-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,734,848 to Gates et al. Applicant respectfully submits that rejection is moot, because claim 1 has been amended to include all limitations of 5, 8, 12 and 13, which were identified in the Office Action as being allowable.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

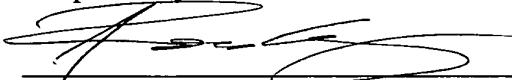
In paragraphs 17-19 of the Office Action, claims 9-10 and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gates et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,076,128 to Kamijo et al. The rejection is moot, because claims 9 and 12 have been canceled and claim 10 has been amended to depend on the amended claim 1, which is believed to be allowable.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks, applicant respectfully submits that the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. A favorable disposition to that effect is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning this submission, or any aspect of the application, she is invited to call the undersigned at the phone number listed below.

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